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## PRIMUS COMMUNITY ONE OF PROSPERITY

TO ASSIST WITH FAIR

Writer Takes Issue with Flint Ridge—Peas and Potatoes Plentiful.

Primus, Oct. 6.—I again take pleasure in writing a few lines for The News from the garden spot of the county. I see the Flint Ridge correspondent is trying to claim the garden spot for his particular section. He made the statement that Heath Springs took the rag off the bush September 12th, and that Flint Ridge was a close neighbor to Heath Springs. I happen to know both places and Flint Ridge is three or four miles from the town of Heath Springs. I did not claim in my article that Primus was the cleanest spot on earth; I said "Garden Spot," meaning in the term of farming and etc. Heath Springs may have gotten on the bulletin board for cleanliness but he has not gotten there on farming. I still hold to what I said; Primus is the garden spot and in making this claim for our community I have not included another neighborhood with it which I note the Flint Ridge correspondent has done when he includes Heath Springs in his territory. The Flint Ridge correspondent endeavors to cover too much ground. Again I notice in Wednesday's issue of the News that he stated that I claimed Primus to be the garden spot of the world, when as a matter of fact he knew that I had not seen all of the world, therefore, was not in position to make such a statement. He also stated that Flint Ridge was going to have a community fair to which he gave the good editor, Mr. Luther Ellison, and myself a special invitation to come. Thank you, Mr. Correspondent, I will try to be on hand and will bring my old white Leghorn rooster with me. I know he will take off one of your ribbons without a doubt.

Just as I expected, my friend W. S. Estridge, has gotten into the war with that fellow in Florida about the book of Revelation, endeavoring to figure out the war in the said book. This particular book seems to be a hidden mystery to the minds of most of the people, being especially very hard to understand, the fact being most of our highly educated preachers do not care to tackle it. I believe a large portion of the visions that John saw while on the Isle of Patmos are yet to come to pass and have not as yet been fulfilled. Brother Estridge, when you and the Brother down in Florida decide the war in Europe, please explain the 8th chapter of Revelation to me.

I am indeed glad to note that Lancaster is to have a county fair this fall. I think a county fair is a great thing for any county from many standpoints. Let us all pull together and make it a great success. I notice the little shows are to be back at the fair. I trust the manager will not allow those gambling machines to operate on the grounds. I hope the good people of the county will not tolerate nor patronize such stuff.

Mr. Editor, I always like to co-operate with men in any good enterprise. Men are valuable to any cause in proportion as they are able and willing to work in harmony with other men. When a person loses his ability and willingness to co-operate with others, he has then joined the down and out club. The kickers have quit kicking in our community and Primus will not be represented in the big convention to be held October 24 in Columbia, called by one, Mr. W. A. James of Bishopville.

Mr. D. J. Hinson of Rich Hill is making the rounds with his pea thrasher. Peas and potatoes are in abundance in this community.

I will have to close this letter as I must leave for Beaver Creek to attend the Moriah Association which will be in session for four days. When I return I will write again, especially since we are to have that flour mill.

B. F. ADAMS.

**BRIDE AND GROOM ACCUSED.**  
Gadren City, Kans., Oct. 4.—Fred M. Gilmer, a wealthy farmer, and his bride were placed in jail here today charged with having poisoned Hanna Gilmer, the man's first wife, who died two months ago. They were arrested on information filed by William Harris, son of the dead woman.

## MILK SITUATION GROWING ACUTE

SUPPLY FALLING OFF

Amount Available Expected to Decrease Until Settlement Has Been Reached.

New York, Oct. 4.—With the failure today of Mayor Mitchell to adjust the differences between producers and distributors of milk and the decision of Attorney General Woodbury to begin a Statewide inquiry into the causes leading to the rupture, the situation, so far as the general public is concerned, was said tonight to be growing acute. A shortage of more than 50 per cent in the milk supply which has already resulted from the controversy is causing much suffering, according to the authorities. The supply is expected to diminish rather than increase until a settlement is reached. First Deputy Attorney General Merton E. Lewis has been designated to conduct the inquiry before W. N. Bykman, who was appointed by the supreme court as the official referee.

## FLETCHER TAKES PLACE OF CLARK

POST OF IMPORTANCE

Affects Country's Foreign Trade Relations as Well as Internal Waterways.

Washington, Oct. 4.—It has been said that fate and circumstances—twin brothers—bring about some strange results—results so full of the psychological element that the human mind is often taxed to understand them. Just at a time when the South was needing the brain and sinew of congress to deal with the intricate international problems that will come up hereafter in commercial relations with both Germany and the allies, death knocked at the door of Senator James P. Clarke of Arkansas. Senator Clarke was chairman of the powerful senate committee on commerce, and by his removal his mantle falls on the shoulders of a well-known Southerner—Senator D. U. Fletcher of Florida.

When congress meets again in December Senator Fletcher will go to the chairmanship of this committee, which is the same as both the rivers and harbors committee and the committee on interstate and foreign commerce of the house. Thus, while Florida recently defeated Congressman S. M. Sparkman for re-election and lost the chairmanship of the rivers and harbors committee, that State gets the chairmanship back by Senator Fletcher going into the place of Senator Clarke.

Senator Fletcher's ardent advocacy of river and harbor work is well known over the country and there need be no fear that hereafter projects meriting advancement will be neglected.

It is quite probable that at an early date congress will be called upon to take action regarding retaliatory measures which the State department is said to be preparing to put into effect against Great Britain because of her recently blacklisting American firms. In addition to this the Lusitania indemnity question is another important matter which is likely to come up and this must be carefully considered by the commerce committee before being submitted to the senate and the house for action.

## SOUTH CAROLINIANS GUESTS AT BANQUET

Alexandria, La., Oct. 4.—The party of South Carolinians and representatives of the department of agriculture headed by Gov. Manning, on a tour of Louisiana to study cotton conditions, was entertained tonight at a banquet at which members of a local commercial organization were the hosts. The party during the day inspected the methods of crop rotation used in Rapids parish to combat the boll weevil. Tomorrow the party will visit live stock farms around Alexandria.

## FAIR PROMOTERS TO OPERATE BOOSTING TRIPS

PRES. J. T. THOMASSON VERY OPTIMISTIC

Indications Fair Will Bring Record Breaking Crowds—Publicity Committee Maps Advertising Tours Over County—Everybody Connected With Fair Busy.

Mr. J. T. Thomasson, president of the Lancaster County Fair Association, in conversation with The News representative Thursday stated: "From all reports which I have so far received, I am convinced that the third annual fair, to be held in Lancaster November 20-25, will be a success in every way. Hardly a day passes but what I receive encouraging reports from many parts of the county, and taking all into consideration, I am thoroughly convinced that the event will materialize into the best ever. One important factor which convinces me of its ultimate success, is the enthusiastic manner in which the committees have gone about the work. I wish to urge all the people the county over to join in the undertaking and let us make it truly a fair worth while."

President Thomasson is indeed gratified at the splendid manner in which the people have responded to the cause, and well he should be for from present indications we are going to witness one of the best fairs in Lancaster to be found anywhere.

**Publicity Committee Active.**

The Publicity Committee, appointed to look after the advertising and publicity end of the work, has already begun its campaign with a view of giving a thorough line of real live and effective advertising to the coming event. A handsome booklet, containing the premium list and program together with the ads of quite a number of the leading business people the county over, three thousand in number, will soon be printed and ready for free distribution, and will contain a source of valuable information very beneficial to the exhibitors.

The committee is also working out suitable tours over the county for two big "Booster Trips" to be made in automobiles. The trips will consume two days. The plan is to have about fifty cars, filled with some two hundred men, probably a band and a large supply of advertising matter, visit certain sections of the county on a designated day, and the following day another crew pursue the program in another section of the county. Details of the proposed tours have not as yet been fully consummated, but is certain to materialize and in all probability the following progressive towns and communities will be included in the itinerary: Riverside, Ferguson School, Van Wyck, Osceola, Belair, Pleasant Valley, Craigville, Unity, New Bethel, Tabernacle, Tradesville, Taxahaw, Camp Creek, Buford, Primus, Rich Hill, Midway, Flint Ridge, Kershaw, Oakhurst, Heath Springs, Stoneboro, Pleasant Hill, Elgin, Dry Creek and others. Advance notice will be given as to the date of the trips, and short stops

And, by the way, don't forget that John M. Madra, general manager of the fair, is right on the job. You will find him in every nook and corner, directing here and there, planning and working to the end for a greater and better fair. Let us all get together and help with the work.

## HARTSVILLE FIRE CAUSES BIG LOSS

MUCH COTTON BURNED

Long Staple Worth \$21,000 and Other Property Worth Nearly as Much Destroyed.

Hartsville, Oct. 4.—A destructive fire, the losses amounting to approximately \$40,000, occurred this morning. One of the cotton sheds of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company and 154 bales of long staple cotton were destroyed as was a nearby warehouse with about \$2,000 worth of furniture belonging to the Modern Furniture company. Six box cars, the property of the railroad, three of which were loaded with cotton seed belonging to the Hartsville oil mill, were damaged and considerable damage was done to a cotton seed house filled with seed. In one of the box cars which was

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## SEES NO CHANCE TO BEAT WILSON

HAS WON CONFIDENCE

President's Administration Has Made Good and Deserves Popular Support.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Notwithstanding the fact that since the Maine elections, Republicans all over the country have been quoting Speaker Champ Clark to the effect that it looked like the Democrats were in for a "clean licking," this year, very different stories are coming out of the West concerning political conditions in that section.

Today M. L. Turner, a former Missourian, but now a resident of Oklahoma, was in Washington, and this is what he said:

"I don't see how President Wilson can lose. I have just been through Missouri, and anybody who puts that State in the doubtful list is woefully

## ASKS INDICTMENT ON NOVEL CHARGE

CARRIER IS ACCUSED.

Southern Express Company Declared Culpable in Connection With Liquor Seizure.

Charleston, Oct. 4.—The grand jury sprang a sensation in the court of general sessions today when a special presentment was made, asking the court for an indictment against the Southern Express company, charging violation of the liquor law in connection with the seizures of an automobile containing ten gallons of whiskey some weeks ago at night near the express company's liquor distribution office, the company being culpable, in the opinion of the grand jury, as to delivery of the contraband. The automobile owned by the Olney garage was seized by the police along with the whiskey. The grand jury also asked investigation against a Jacksonville firm, allegation being made that beer shipped here and seized was improperly labelled. This is a case recommended for the attention of the federal court. Solicitor Grimball has these presentments under advisement.

## HARD QUESTIONS MUST BE SOLVED

NO HOPE OTHERWISE

Only by Settlement Which Will Avert Constant Friction Can Future Be Assured.

Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 4.—Satisfactory solution of internal questions having an international bearing must be an integral part of the general program for the rehabilitation of Mexico, the Mexican members of the joint commission were informed today by their American colleagues.

During discussion of the banking situation, taxation and other subjects, which the Mexicans insisted were internal matters, the American commissioners took the stand that no satisfactory settlement of the border problem can be reached until there is evidence of the intention of the Mexican government so to handle such affairs that there will be no occasion for constant diplomatic correspondence with other governments. The matters especially referred to by the American commissioners were those affecting the status and rights of foreigners resident in Mexico and of foreigners who have invested capital in Mexican enterprises.

It was learned today that Luis Cabrera, head of the Mexican commission, is dealing with the committee representing a large group of mining concerns in Mexico in his capacity as minister of finance rather than as one of the commissioners. He expects to meet the mining men's representatives Saturday in New York for a conference.

in error. It is a "red hot" Wilson State, and the Hughes folk who talk of carrying it are nursing a delusion.

"As to Oklahoma, the only question is as to the size of the Democratic majority. My good friend, Gov. Williams, who, by the way is making about the best chief executive of any State in the union, says that Oklahoma will go Democratic by 40,000, but I think he is too conservative.

"Not only are the Oklahomans for Wilson because of his keeping the nation out of war, but they realize that to his administration is due the most marvelous prosperity that ever blessed any land. Their own State teems with it. Our cotton crop alone will bring in more than \$100,000,000, and every other interest is proportionately flourishing. In past times, the Democrats were charged with inefficiency, inaptitude and divers other sins, but this year they are able to laugh at their critics, for 'they have the goods' and the people know it."

**FORMER SENATOR DIES.**

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 4.—Major William Warner, former United States senator from Missouri, died at his home here this afternoon.

## RUSSIANS STRIKE FOR ROUMANIANS

GUNBOATS IN ACTION

Operating on Danube, Bombard Flank of Bulgarian Army.

Petrograd, Oct. 4 (via London).—Russian troops are continuing their offensive against the forces of the central powers and their allies in the Roumanian province of Dobruja, says the Russian official statement issued today. Russian gunboats on the River Danube have bombarded the left flank of the Bulgarian army near Rachova, which lies about 14 miles south of Echernavoda. The text of the statement says:

"Dobruja: Russian gunboats bombarded the left flank of the Bulgarian army near Rachova, which is beyond Echernavoda on the Danube.

"Our offensive in the region of Rachova, Tzopadin and Tervell continues."

**DEFEAT FOR TUTONS.**

Bucharest Claims More Successes in Transylvania.

Bucharest, Oct. 4.—The Roumanians have inflicted a further defeat on the Germans and Austrians in Transylvania, the war office announced today.

The Teutonic forces were defeated in an engagement in the region of Fogaras.

**FORCED ACROSS RIVER.**

Roumanians Reported Compelled to Quit Bulgaria.

Berlin, Oct. 4 (via London).—The Roumanian forces which crossed the Danube river between the Danube fortress of Rustchuk and Turtukai have withdrawn hastily, says the official statement issued today by the German army headquarters, as the result of encircling movements put into operation by Field Marshall von Mackensen, the commander of the forces of the central powers and their allies in Dobruja.

**BRITISH PRESS AHEAD.**

Make New Gains in Greek Macedonia.

London, Oct. 4.—British troops yesterday morning pushed forward from their new positions near Karajakeui, on the west bank of the Struma river in Greek Macedonia, and captured a part of the village of Yenikeui, says an official statement issued by the British war office today. The Bulgarians made three counter attacks and fighting for the newly won positions still is in progress.

**CONTINUE ADVANCE.**

Paris Tells of Progress on Macedonian Front.

Paris, Oct. 4.—The Serbian, French and Russian forces are continuing victoriously their advance, says today's war office statement regarding operations on the Macedonian front. During Tuesday night they attained the Petalino line, on the western slope of Kaimakacalan. In the loop of the Czerna, on the Kenali-Negochani line their left wing holds Pisodri at the front of Mount Ceebo.

In the valley of the Struma the British repulsed violent attacks at Jelikoil (Yenikeuy.)

**TAKE NEW POSITIONS.**

Germans and Bulgars Retire at Presba Lake.

Berlin, Oct. 4 (via London).—German and Bulgarian forces on the western end of the Macedonian front where heavy fighting with the Serbians has been in progress for several weeks, have again fallen back. Today's official statement reports the withdrawal of troops near Presba lake to prepared positions.

**RUSSIAN BLOWS VAIN.**

Attacks Prove Fruitless, Berlin Story Says.

Berlin, Oct. 4 (via London).—The Russians continued yesterday their heavy assaults on the Austro-German lines. Today's official announcement reports the defeat of the Russians by the troops of Prince Leopold.